A method according to claim 28 wherein the VOC solvent is glycol ethers.

A method according to claim 2/8 wherein the VOC solvent is alcohols.

A method according to claim 23 wherein the VOC solvent is cycloalkanes.

A method according to claim 2/3 wherein the VOC solvent is esters.

A method according to claim 23 wherein the VOC solvent is terpene.

Remarks

The application has been amended to provide claims which cover additional aspects of the invention. Applicants submit that the application is now in condition for examination. Early examination and notification of allowability is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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